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writing and arithmetic and teach them all kinds of trades, from gardening and the arts of housewifery to the building trades, printing and cabinet-making.

Out of this useful institution has just come a volume, published by Herder in fine style, illustrating the life at this busy centre of civilizing influences. It celebrates the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of this institution. Missionaries in various parts of Africa have written books descriptive of their pioneer labours, but none has yet appeared which more faithfully and minutely depicts in text and picture the various phases of the great work going on to-day in so many parts of Africa, of teaching to untutored millions the dignity and usefulness of labour and of training them to toil efficiently in many branches of skilled labour. The numerous exceptionally fine photographs in the book show the native life of the blacks and their development as they learn from the devoted European friends the many ways in which they may become more useful to themselves and to the whites who now live among their people. The book is to be recommended as one of the best products illustrating the marvelous changes that are now in progress among vast numbers of the native African population.

Greece. Handbook for Travellers. By Karl Baedeker. cxxvi and 447 pp., 16 Maps, 30 Plans, 2 Diagrams and a Panorama of Athens. 4th Edition. K. Baedeker, Leipzig, 1909. (Price, M. 8.)

The handbook has been revised and enlarged so as to incorporate the important results of recent archæological research as well as the advances in the means of communication in Greece. Many sections have been rewritten.

Historical Atlas with Chronological Notes. By E. A. Benians and T. H. Knight. 89 pp. and 44 Maps. George Gill & Sons, Ltd., London, 1908 (?). (Price, 8d.)

A small atlas providing material for a general knowledge of English history and especially arranged for use in preparing examinations. The maps cover British history from B. C. 55 to the India of to-day and the recent battlefields in South Africa. They are not of the best execution, but clearly express the facts; and opposite each coloured plate is a page of chronological notes outlining the history which the map illustrates.

Washed by Four Seas. An English Officer's Travels in the Near East. By H. C. Woods. Introduction by Sir Martin Conway. xvi and 316 pp., Maps and over 60 Illustrations from the Author's Photographs. T. Fisher Unwin, London, 1908.

While the author was in the British army he travelled extensively in Balkan countries and made a journey also in Anatolia to obtain information on certain military and other questions. His book is not a continuous narrative of his wanderings, but he groups under such headings as "Defences of Constantinople," "The Rhodope Balkans," "The Turks," and "Bulgaria and the Bulgarians" the impressions he derived from his travels. The interest of his book is enhanced by the fact that his routes were largely off the beaten tracks. His impressions are simply expressed and indicate a careful observer and a desire accurately to express what he thought best worth describing. Some of his most attractive pages in the chapter on the Bulgarians and their country, for example, deal with the character and life of the peasants, their customs, vocations, schools and pastimes, espe-